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BASH & GRAY ACCOUNT SETTLED

As a closing chapter in the sewer matter we wish to note that the Bash & Gray claim against the city for something variously estimated from \$3500 to \$5,000 has been settled for \$600.

This is an affair about which there has been a considerable amount of controversy and which might have cost the city all that the contractors claimed, and possibly much more if it had been carried into court. Taking into consideration the fact that the account arose principally through looseness of the contract governing the construction work, and the additional fact that for the same reason the city is practically at the mercy of the engineer in charge of the work so far as testimony before a court is concerned, we are strongly of the belief that a goodly sum of money was saved for the city by this compromise measure.

This settlement is largely due to the efforts of a man not officially connected with city government at the present time, but whose ability to thresh out complicated questions of this nature is unquestioned and who has probably saved the city enough on this one settlement to pay the expense of commission form of government for many months to come. No one questions the fact that the firm in charge of the sewer work have come out financially loser in the game and they cannot be blamed for desiring to take advantage of points not covered in the contract to add to the revenue which they derive from the job.

This probably ends the sewer controversy, at least so far as the present council is concerned.

HUTCHINSON BUSINESS MEN AT LARGE.

A jolly crowd of about 125 business men of Hutchinson who had been on a Booster Trip to Hugoton and various other towns west and southwest, were here Friday.

They had attended the big celebration at Hugoton, given in honor of the advent of the new railroad into that territory and had worked back to Dodge and thence eastward. They arrived here at 1:45 and consumed an hour in providing for the wants of the inner man and calling on the business people of the village. Some excellent music was rendered by the band which accompanied the train. The roster of the firms represented on the trip was printed on strawboard turned out at the new factory and was scattered broadcast and stickers boosting for the Kansas State Fair adorn the landscape in whatever direction you look. Great Bend and Barton county are with Hutch on the State Fair proposition and, in fact, on almost everything else which boasts that city or Central Kansas. These trade trips will probably be an annual feature from now henceforth. So mote it be.

COMMENCEMENT NEXT WEEK

The program for Commencement week includes the following events of interest to the public as well as a number of social events which are of interest principally to the faculty and students.

Class Sermon, Monday, May 18, at Congregational church.

Commencement and Governor Hodges' Address, Wednesday evening, May 21, at M. E. church.

The Senior class this year consists of the following members: Maude E. Murphy, Bessie L. Noll, Enid Watkins, Ella M. Wesley, Nellie D. Foster, Jessie G. Treat, Vera R. Ewalt, Ray Scott, Gabe A. Sellers, F. Clarence Seiber, Arthur L. Seiber, Donald J. Borthwick, Forrest L. Hart, Ruth E. Smith, Chas. J. Reid, Alva L. Lyda, Gladys E. Asher, Helen L. Kellam.

BAILEY.

The death of Lester J. Bailey, one of the old residents of this county, whose home was in this city in the early days, occurred at Holington on Sunday morning, May 11, due to a stroke of paralysis. Mr. Bailey had long been one of the well known and respected men of the county and his death is mourned by a large circle of acquaintances. His brother, R. C., now of Kansas City, was with him at the time of his death.

Owing to the fact that some of his children live at a distance it was necessary to delay burial until Thursday, at which time services were conducted in Holington and the body brought to this city for interment.

Beside the Holington relatives, there were present at the burial a son and daughter from Washington, a son and a daughter from Denver, also Mrs. George Fisher of Newton, and Mrs. W. A. Dunn, of this city, nieces of the deceased.

SCHAEPEON-KORIEL.

The ceremony which united Bruno Schaepeon and Miss Tilda Koriel, of Albert, as man and wife, was performed at the probate judge's office on Monday, by W. Torrey, Probate Judge pro tem.

The bride is the daughter of one of the prominent farmers of the Albert neighborhood and highly popular among a large circle of friends. The groom has recently purchased a business in the town and is a man who will make good. The wedding party came down by auto and after the knot was tied returned to the home of the bride's parents where an elaborate wedding feast was had in honor of the happy event.

Will Bush has returned to his home in Kinsley after a visit with friends here.

Phil Kopplin and wife came over from Holington Sunday for a visit with Mrs. Kopplin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Omer.

BASE BALL THUS FAR.

On Saturday of last week our try-outs and a few of the regulars went to Lyons to do battle with the Leaguers there and returned with the long end of a 6 to 0 score. On Saturday at home the same teams contested with a result of 2 to 0 in favor of the Lyons team.

The game was an interesting match and was not won until the last man was out in the ninth. Wilson worked Pitchers Widler, Ewalt and Trimble. Of these three it was not apparent that any one of the trio had much on the other two. McVey, a kid pitcher on the Lyons team, went the whole route for Lyons, with remarkable success, allowing only one hit, which was drawn by Conboy on his third trip to the plate and after he had struck out in his two previous attempts. McVey is a cool youngster, much given to stalling and killing time, but he pitches good ball, has good control and puts very few of them in the alley and, if the manager keeps a sufficient supply of chewing tobacco in sight for him, we believe he will win ball games.

This week has been devoted to hard daily practice—two and one-half hours in the forenoon and the same in the afternoon, until today (Thursday). There is now in progress at the ball park the opening game of the season, between our team and Lyons. Pitcher Brown, who was slated to pitch the opening game for the locals had his arm severely hurt in practice yesterday and Stauffer is on the mound for the locals. Brown will probably be out of the game for several days which may or may not mean hard luck to start with.

Our team goes to Salina for Friday, Saturday and Sunday games, will rest on Monday and on Tuesday occurs the big event of the season, Booster Day and Pennant Raising, on which day we expect to take the measure of the Junction City team. BOOSTER TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE. Get yours and get out and help make the day a success.

MORRISONS DRAW CONTRACT.

Work Will Begin Within a Few Days.

At an adjourned meeting of the city council on Friday morning, the contract for laying the big outflow pipe from the septic tank to the creek, a distance of 10,200 feet, was awarded to Morrison Bros., formerly of this place, now of Kansas City, on their bid of \$18,494. Preparations are being made as rapidly as possible to begin the work and while no date has been set for commencing, it is probably safe to say that dirt will be moving by June 1 if not before. At a session held later the same day provision was made for the issuance of bonds to the amount of \$4500, which amount is necessary in addition to \$15,000 recently provided for this purpose.

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COUNTY TREASURERS MEET.

About one-fourth of all of the county treasurers of the state were present at the recent meeting of their organization in Newton. Our county treasurer, J. W. Soderstrom, who was secretary of the organization last year and who has been president this year, retired from the presidency at this meeting, in accordance with a custom which provides that each member elected to that office shall hold the same for one term only.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Bennett Grove, Newton, Pres.; J. P. Shepherd, Norton, Vice-Pres.; W. R. Yenawine, Manhattan, Secretary; C. E. Percy, Lawrence, Treas.

Manhattan was designated as the place for holding next year's meeting.

The principal feature of entertainment was a big banquet at the Y. M. C. A., where there was spread an abundance of all things good to eat and where the flow of oratory was unlimited.

OTTO REICH PULLS

OFF ANOTHER STUNT.

Thomas Darcy of Offerle, must account for the property of Otto Reich if the plans of Reich's lawyers carry. Announcement has been made that suit against the administrator of the estate of Reich would be filed within a few days.

I. A. Madison and T. A. Scates are preparing the papers in the case and will ask Darcy to account for \$6,900, which Darcy received from the sale of Reich's quarter section of land, stock and personal property.

The filing of the suit will mean additional chapters to Ford county's sensation of two years ago when Otto Reich disappeared and no trace of him was found until a month ago. Darcy was on Reich's note for \$900 and after the disappearance of the young farmer interested himself in the case and was appointed administrator. Darcy paid out of this money various sums to attorneys employed by him and for court costs and the balance was given to Reich's "heirs" a brother and sister in Missouri. Now Darcy and his bondsmen must explain how Darcy could prove Reich "dead," secure administration papers and sell the property of a person who really was alive.

HEROLD-TUBBS WEDDING.

The Baptist church was the scene of a very pretty wedding at five o'clock, on Tuesday evening of this week, when Rev. E. H. H. Tubbs performed a beautiful wedding ceremony, uniting his eldest daughter, Cressie Forest, to Mr. Lewis Herold, of Ellinwood.

The church was appropriately decorated with ferns, palms and flowers, and lighted with subdued lights and candles. Mrs. J. D. Guttery presided at the piano. To the strains of the Lohengrin wedding march, the bridal party took their places beneath an arch of bridal wreath, where the ceremony was performed. The attendants were Miss Roby, of Stafford, as the bride's maid, and Mr. Charles Herold, brother of the groom, as best man. The bride was beautiful in a dress of pure white chiffon over satin, carrying roses.

About sixty invited guests were present. Those from out of town were: Mr. and Mrs. Herold, parents of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Herold, Mr. Charles Herold, Miss Fleming, all of Ellinwood; Mrs. Potter and Mrs. Vaughn, of Hutchinson, and Miss Roby of Stafford.

Many useful and lovely presents were given the bride. The couple left on No. 8 for Indiana amidst a shower of rice and the good wishes of their friends. They will be at home to their friends in Ellinwood after one month.

Rev. and Mrs. Tubbs gave a lovely three course wedding dinner for their daughter, to which only out of town guests and relatives were invited.—Sterling Bulletin.

The happy bride is a former resident of this city and possesses a large circle of admiring friends here. She was for several years, one of the popular lady teachers in the schools of the county. The groom, who has spent many years of his life near Ellinwood, is one of the prosperous young farmers of that vicinity and has many warm friends in the county seat who join in wishing the young couple a happy voyage on the sea of matrimony.

GENERAL ORDER NUMBER ONE

Headquarters Pap Thomas Post, No. 52, G. A. R.
May 6th, 1913.

Forty-five years ago, in General Order No. 11, the then Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, Gen. John A. Logan, instituted the celebration of Memorial Day. On each 30th day of May since then, the patriotic people of our Country have joined with the Grand Army of the Republic in a tribute of love and remembrance to the memory of those who paid the last full measure of devotion to our Country and our Flag with their lives, and of those gallant Comrades who, since Appomattox, have gone to the Great Beyond.

Established as a day of fitting recognition of the devotion and sacrifices of our Comrades, and of beautiful and touching tributes to their memory, it has become a day of memorial for all of our soldier and sailor dead, who, while living, endured hardships and perils in defense of our Nation.

Year after year as we visit the cities of the dead on this day, evidence multiplies the profound veneration the people have for those who have gone before, and throughout the land the cemeteries and other burial places show how great a hold the custom of strewing sweet flowers on the graves of our heroes has attained. There is no teaching so powerful as example, and no incentive to patriotic deeds and noble living so great as that which comes from holding in remembrance and undying honor those who have nobly lived and gloriously died and so long as the country honors the memory of its heroes it will not lack for defenders.

Let this day, May 30, 1913, be kept as becomes its character, its solemn memories. Forty-eight years have passed since we laid down our arms and docked our ships of war. The majority of those who marched and triumphed with us have already crossed over and answered the roll call on the other side, whence come no echoes to our ears, a dwindling band of aging men.

We will not long remain to lead in the observance of Memorial Day, but while we yet live, let us so educate the younger generation that its observance and beneficial influence may remain when our forms have long mouldered in the dust of the earth.

In compliance with General Orders from National and Department Headquarters, the Comrades of Pap Thomas Post No. 52, will assemble at the Post Hall on Sunday, May 25th, 1913.

THE 50TH CLASS IN JUNE.

The fiftieth class will be graduated from the Kansas Agricultural College next month. All alumni have been urged to visit the college Commencement week and take part in this fiftieth anniversary. It is expected that hundreds will respond to the invitation.

The program for Commencement week is being prepared by Prof. J. E. Kammeyer. The Commencement speaker is John Commons, professor of political economy in the University of Wisconsin. The program, in complete, is:

Sunday, June 15—Baccalaureate sermon by W. O. Shepard, bishop of Kansas City, Kan., Auditorium, 4 p. m.

Monday, June 16—Recital by music department, Auditorium, 8 p. m.

Tuesday, June 17—Senior class play Auditorium, 8 p. m.

Wednesday, June 18—Class-day exercises by seniors, 8:30 until noon. "Pinafore," by students of music department, Auditorium, 8 p. m.

Thursday, June 19—Commencement exercises, Auditorium, 10 a. m. Cadet band concert, Auditorium, 1:30 p. m. Cadet dress parade, campus, 3 p. m. Baseball, Alumni vs. Varsity, 4:30 p. m.—Industrialist.

Probate Judge Myers, of Ness, was here Saturday enroute to Emporia to attend the state convention of probate judges.

County Clerk Claude Miller and wife were down from Rush county Friday for a visit with Mrs. Miller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Clark.

Mrs. J. A. McDonald, of Sterling, is here for a visit with Mrs. G. W. Moore.

at 10 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of attending Memorial Services at the Presbyterian church at 11 A. M., by Rev. Wm. Westwood, Pap Thomas Circle, Fort Zarah Camp, soldiers of the Spanish American war and all patriotic citizens, especially the pupils of the public schools are cordially invited to attend this service.

Program—May 30, 1913.

Comrades will assemble at the Post Hall at 9:30 a. m. All patriotic citizens and especially the school children are earnestly requested to gather flowers for decorating purposes, and bring them to the Post Hall in the shape of wreaths or bouquets, where they will be cared for and conveyed to the cemetery by the Quartermaster. The duty of decorating graves at the cemetery is assigned to the Boy Scouts of America under the direction of their officers. The usual ceremonies of the Order will be performed at the mound under the direction of the Officer of the Day.

At 2 o'clock p. m., a procession will be formed at the Post Hall by the Officer of the Day, including city and police officers, Boy Scouts, Ladies of the G. A. R., S. of V.'s, Spanish War Veterans, school children with flags, and other organizations, and march to the place decided upon for the exercises according to the weather, as follows:

1st, Music by Band.
2nd, Song by School Children.
3rd, Invocation, Rev. V. L. Greenwood.
4th, Reading of Orders, Adjutant.
5th, Reading of Gen. Logan's Order No. 11, E. L. Chapman.
6th, Song, Columbia, The Gem of the Ocean.

7th, Lincoln's Address, Prof. Freer.
8th, Address, O. W. Dawson.
9th, America, Audience.
10th, Benediction, Rev. Cochrin.

At a committee meeting at Pap Thomas Post, the following Citizens Committee was selected to aid the G. A. R. in making a success of the exercises on Decoration Day, on May 30th.

Committee on Transportation to cemetery: Mayor D. C. Luse, Hon. Fred Zutauren, C. S. Allison, E. R. Moses, Jr.

Committee on Band Music: Fred Nuttleman, Leo Chapman, Frank Richardson.

Committee on Seating Park or Court House: E. R. Moses, Sr., Lester Cox, R. A. Charles.

By order of
H. C. DUCHESNE,
Post Commander.
ATTEST:
IRA D. BROUGHNER, Adjutant.

FREY.

Mrs. Agnes Frey passed away Friday night after an illness caused by paralysis, from which she had been suffering for some time. Her death, while not unexpected, was none the less a severe shock to her many friends.

She was a woman of a cheerful and optimistic nature and justly beloved by those who knew her. The body was taken, Saturday evening, to the home of her parents, at Orrick, Mo., for interment in the family lot at the cemetery there. Her brother, Chas. Wood, and her husband accompanied the body to its last resting place.

NOTE THIS.

The Domestic Science and the Manual Training departments of the city schools are placing specimens of their handiwork in one of the windows at the Lischesky store where they will remain on display for the balance of the week. Too much cannot be said in commendation of the good work the students are doing in these lines, which have both been decidedly popular since the time of their induction into the school work here.

The exhibit this year is better and more complete than the ones of former years and a few moments may well be spent in looking it over.

Tobias Unruh left Tuesday evening via Santa Fe for a trip east.

Fred and Harvey Ewing, plutocratic farmers and breeders of fine live stock, were in Saturday from the west side. Everything is O. K. as usual with them but they say the exceptionally rapid growth which wheat has made in the past few days makes it important that we have more moisture P. D. Q.

HOW CAN A GUY STUDY?



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